

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Keith, et al. Confirmation No.: 2818
Serial No.: 10/670,184 Group Art Unit: 1647
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For: ANTIBODIES AND COMPOSITIONS TO A RESPIRATORY DISEASE AND
OBESITY RELATED PROTEIN
(FORMERLY: NOVEL HUMAN GENE RELATING TO RESPIRATORY DISEASES AND
OBESITY)

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Non-Final Official Action dated March 26, 2007, the applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

In addition, the applicants have petitioned for a two (2) month extension of time and paid concurrently herewith the appropriate fee for extending the period of response up to and including August 26, 2007. Under 37 C.F.R. §1.7(a) when the last day to take action falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday within the District of Columbia, the action may be taken on the next succeeding business day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday, i.e., August 27, 2007 without additional extension fees.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 28 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 32 of this paper.